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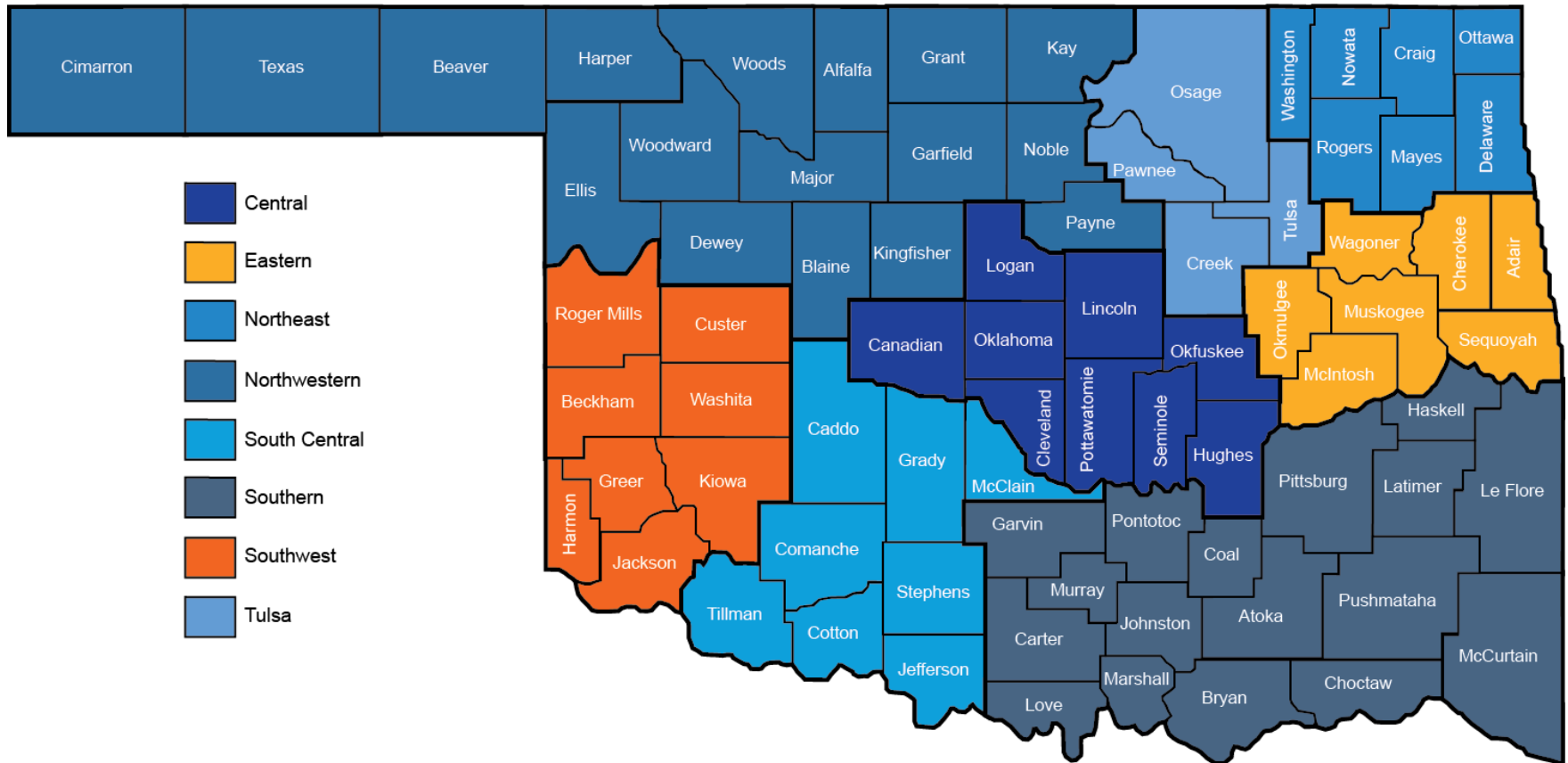
**Moving toward Regionalism  
with Data**

# Agenda

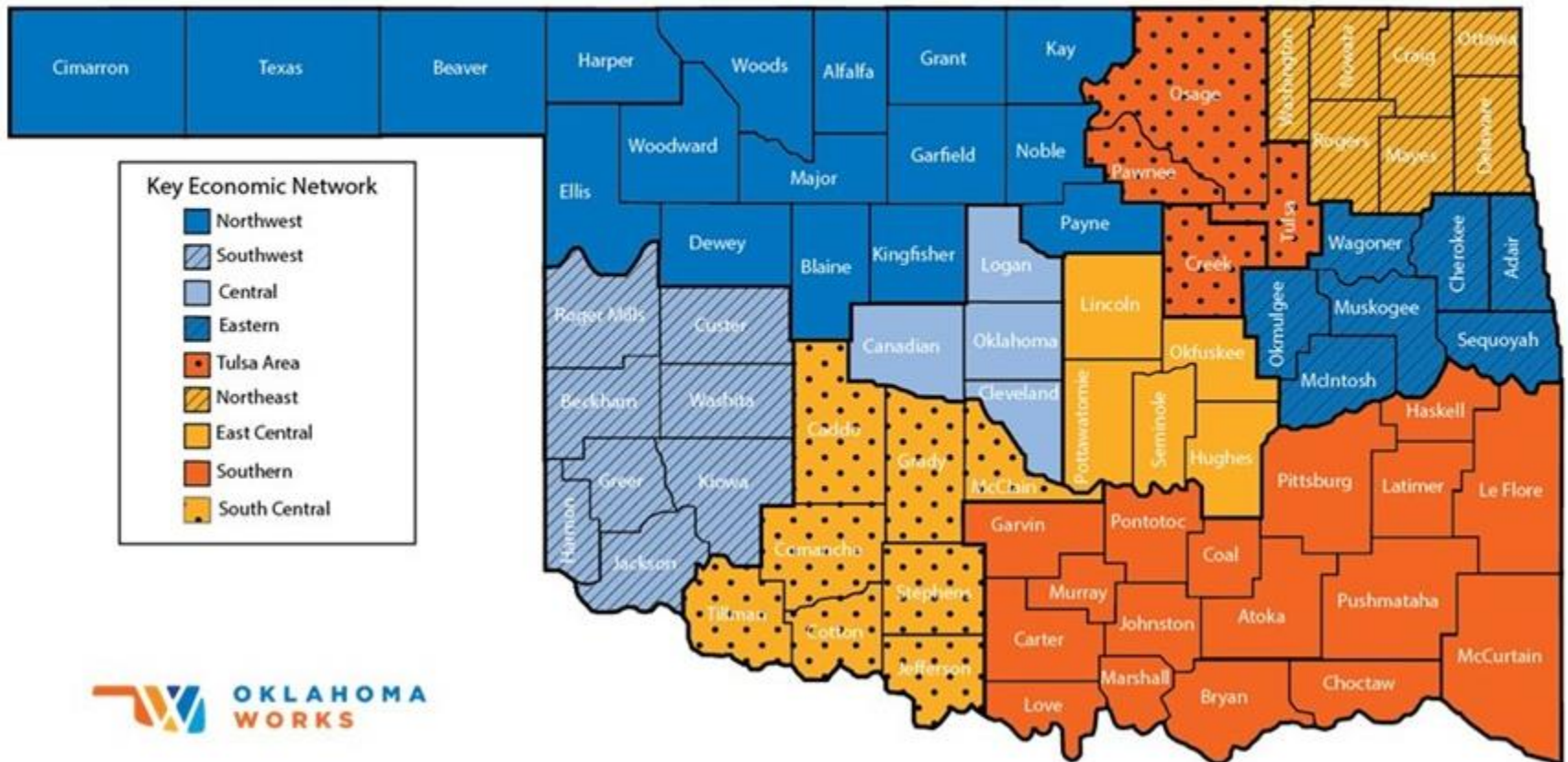
- Organization of Oklahoma counties
- Goals of KENs and planning regions
- Compare and contrast of Central Planning Region data
- Table discussion



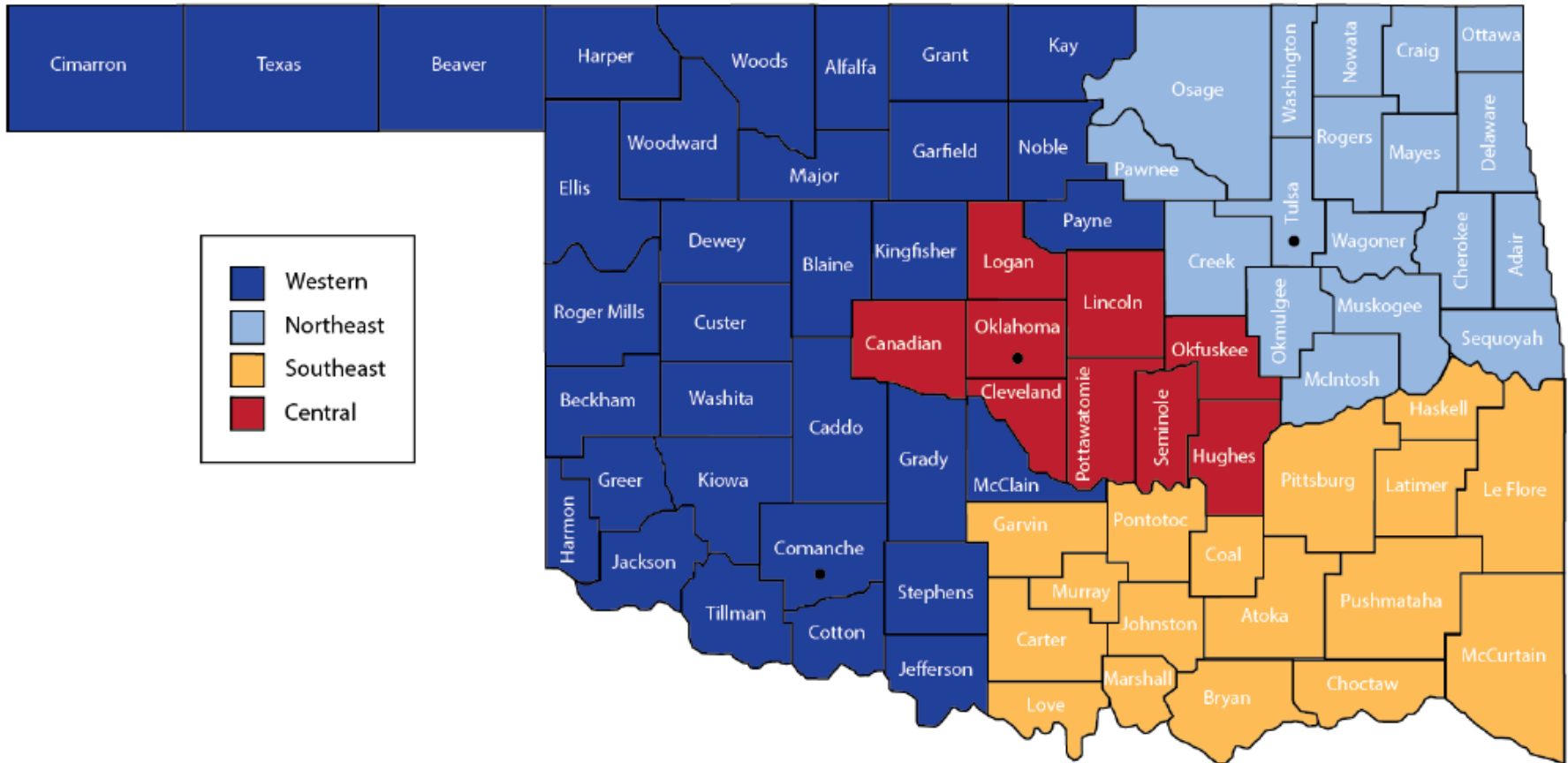
# Local Workforce Development Areas



# Key Economic Networks

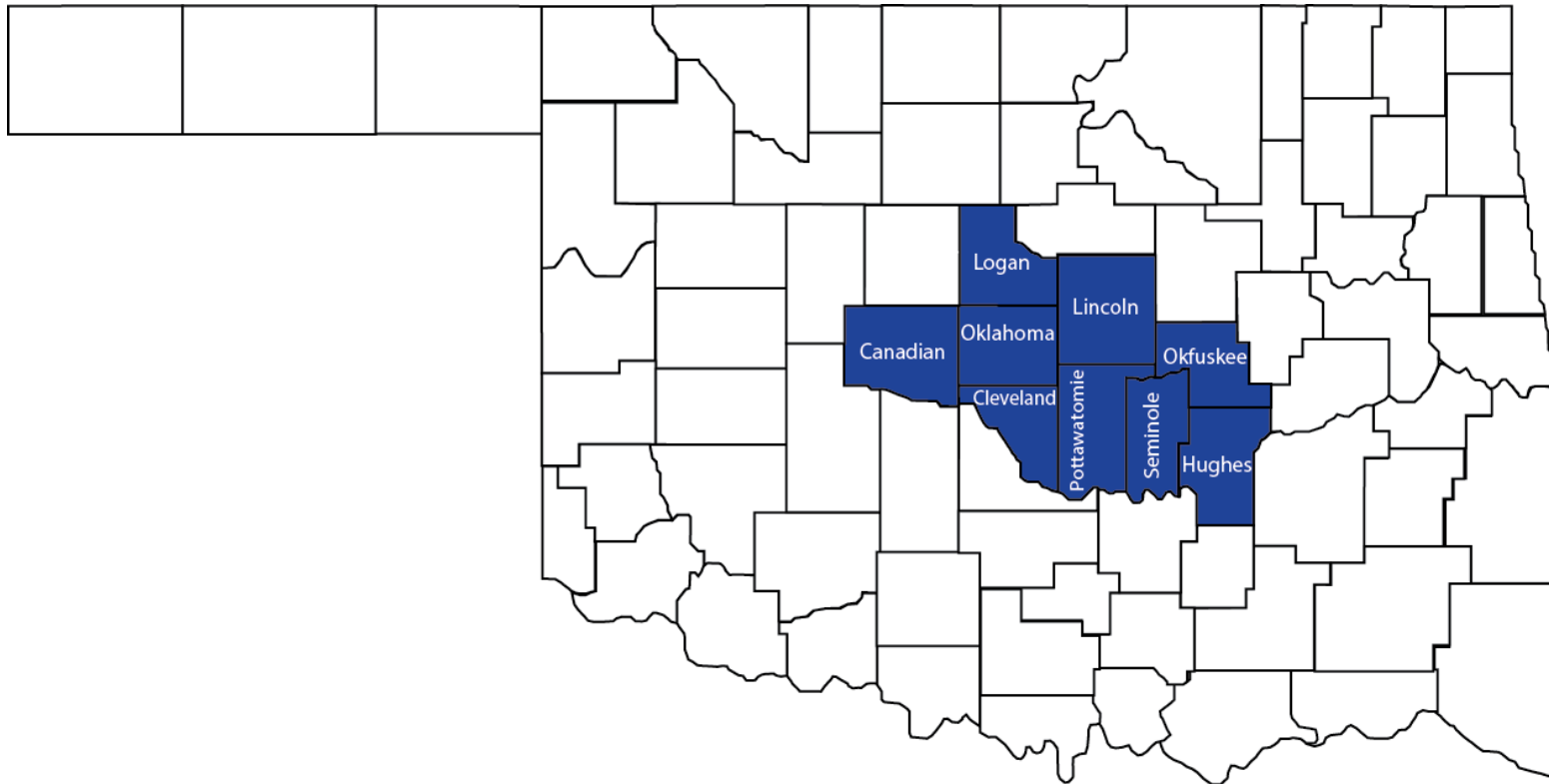


# Planning Regions



# Central Region (Central and East Central KENs)

The Central Oklahoma Planning Region is comprised of nine counties: Canadian, Cleveland, Hughes, Lincoln, Logan, Okfuskee, Oklahoma, Pottawatomie, and Seminole.



# WIOA Workforce Development Areas, WIOA Planning Regions, and KENs

- Oklahoma receives federal funds for specific workforce activities, which are utilized across local Workforce Development **Areas**
- In 2015, Oklahoma Works established Key Economic **Networks** (KENs) mirroring the local Workforce Development Board areas
- Under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA), local areas are to be organized by regions with similar labor market trends and commuting patterns
- Oklahoma now has **8 local Workforce Development Areas** that make up **4 Planning Regions**
- Oklahoma currently has **9 KENs**



# Planning Regions and KENs

- WIOA Regional Planning Areas and the KENs have similar goals:
  - Connect the education and training pipeline with the needs of local and regional economies
  - Align local, regional and state level education, training and workforce activities
  - Use workforce and economic data to inform policy, track progress and measure success
  - Build partnerships between industry and education
  - Leverage resources and partnerships for greater impact
  - Close the skills gap
- Although regional planning is specific to WIOA programs, KENs have more flexibility

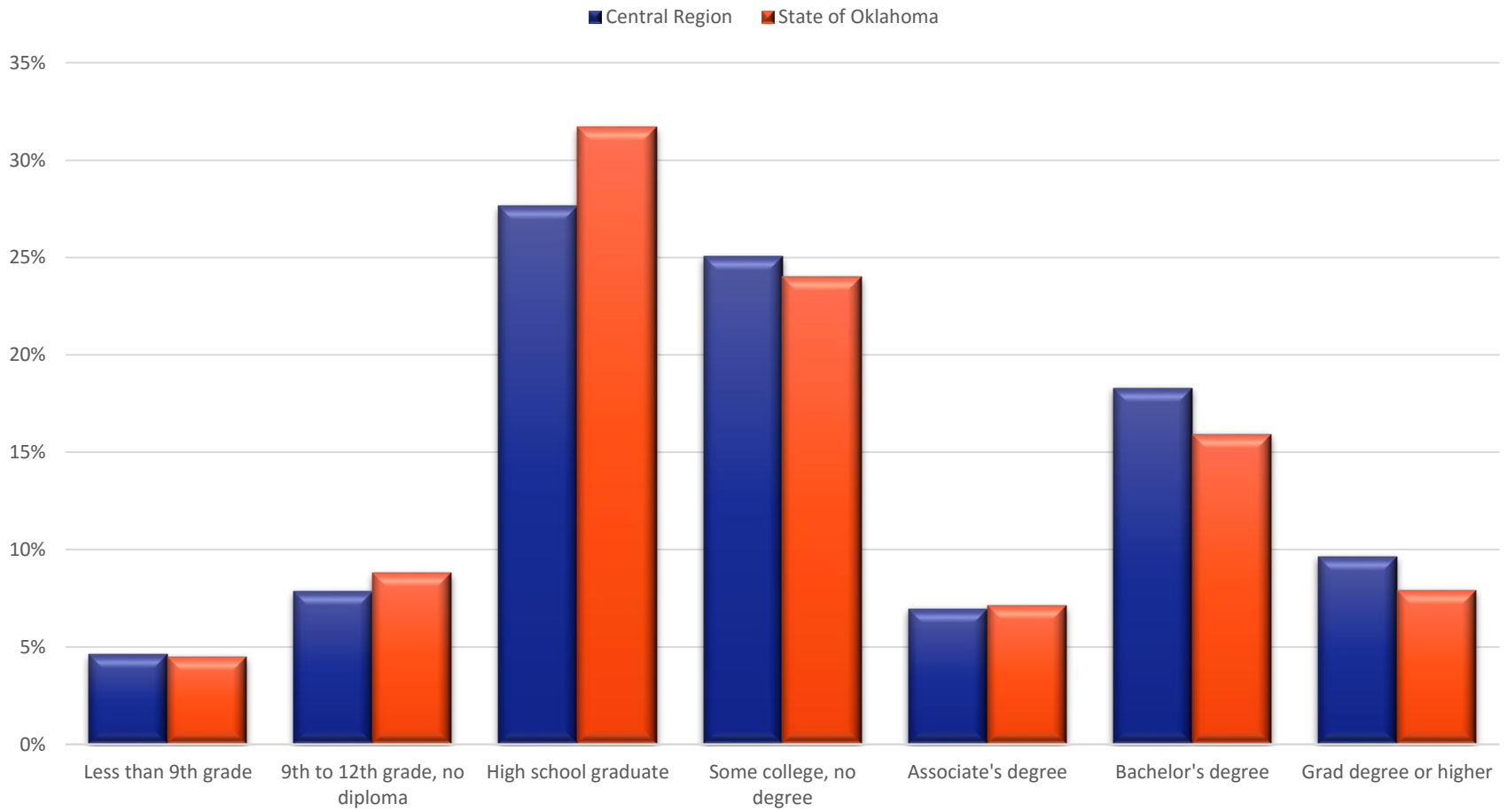


# **Data**

## **Central Oklahoma Planning Region**



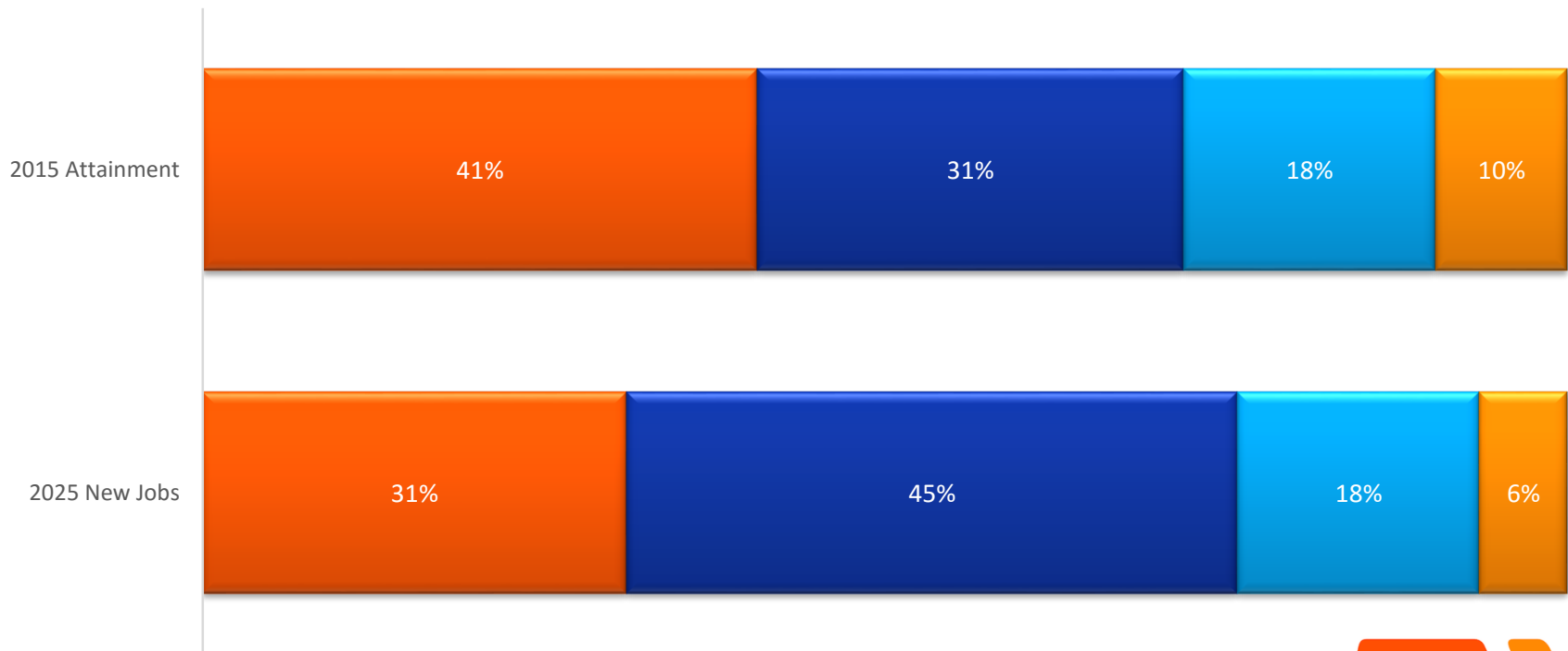
# Educational Attainment in the Central Oklahoma Planning Region (Central and East Central KENs):



# Education Gap in Central Oklahoma Planning Region (Central and East Central KENs)

## Central Oklahoma Planning Region Educational Gap for Jobs by 2025

■ High School and Less ■ Associates/Certificate/Credential ■ Bachelors ■ Graduate



# Top Industries in Central Oklahoma Planning Region (Central and East Central KENs)

| Government   | Construction  |
|--|---|
| Health Care and Social Assistance  | Professional, Scientific, and<br>Technical Services |
| Retail Trade   | Other Services (except Public<br>Administration)    |
| Accommodation and Food<br>Services   | Wholesale Trade                                     |
| Administrative and Support and<br>Waste Management and<br>Remediation Services | Manufacturing                                       |



# Table Discussion



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1. What does the data show with regard to opportunities in your region? (opportunities in the talent pipeline, connecting education and industry and/or creating partnerships)
2. What common strategies might be implemented to address the opportunities?
3. What would success look like?
4. What individual or group(s) might lead the work in this area?



# Call to Action

**Connect to your KEN Champion:**

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- Expand your KEN:
  - Identify a well-connected educator (K12, CareerTech, Higher Education)
  - Identify a business leader in each major industry
  - Identify local agency partner staff
  - Share and foster those connections within the KEN but also within the Region
- Identify partnerships across geographical boundaries

**All documents from today's summit will be on**

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## **STATE SUMMIT**

### **Breakout Session II:**

- **Preparing for Career Pathways**
  - Great Hall A
- **Internships and Externships: Creating Partnerships for Learning**
  - Great Hall B

